

**Division of Public and Behavioral Health**  
**Homes for Individual Residential Care Advisory Council Meeting**  
**SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES**  
**Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2015**  
**Time: 2 PM**

**MEETING LOCATIONS**

Videoconference to:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
Health Care Quality & Compliance  
727 Fairview Drive, Suite E  
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
Health Care Quality & Compliance  
4220 South Maryland Parkway, Bldg. D, Suite 810  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

**Las Vegas Attendees:**

Beatrice Mercado, Co-Chair  
Phil Glessner, Co-Chair  
Dorothy Domingo, Golden Retreat Care Home  
Teresa Brushfield  
Don Sampson, HCQC

**Carson City attendees:**

Nenita Wasserman, HCQC  
Crystal Wren, Nevada Medicaid Long Term Support Services

**Teleconference attendees:**

Jaqui La Voie, La Casa De La Voie (teleconference)  
Sharon Leffingwell (teleconference)  
Julie D. Bell, HCQC (teleconference)

**Approval of minutes from the August 11, 2015 meeting.**

**\_\_\_\_SHARON LEFFINGWELL MOVED FOR APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST  
11, 2015 HIRC MEETING MINUTES. DOROTHING DOMINGO SECONDED  
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**Bureau Topics**

Don Sampson reviewed the top ten tags for homes for individual residential care which are as follows:

0050 – Tuberculosis Employees  
0065 – Employee Background Check Requirements  
0066 – Training to recognize and prevent abuse  
0030 – Safety and Sanitation – Home Clean; Hazard Free  
0055 – Tuberculosis Residents  
0044 – Records of Residents of – Copy of physical  
0060 – Ultimate User Agreement  
0019 – Director Duties – No FA/CPR  
0999 – Final Comments

0017 – Director Duties – Protective Supervision  
0034 – Safety and Sanitation – Fire Extinguisher

**General Discussion of Medical Marijuana topics related to homes for individual residential care;**

There was no additional items that the members wished to discuss under this item.

Teresa Brushfield asked if hircs can refuse to take patients that use marijuana. Julie D. Bell said that HCQC supports your policy you have in place on that topic.

**Update on Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).**

Crystal Wren, Long-Term Support Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy said she did not have any new information to report.

**Update and discussion regarding Legislative Subcommittee to Conduct a Study of Postacute Care (Assembly Bill 242 [Chapter 306, Statutes of Nevada 2015])** *Jeanne Hesterlee, Health Care Quality and Compliance*

There was no update on this item.

**Industry Updates**

**Top three challenges facing the industry**

Beatrice Mercado reported that the CLIA waiver is very challenging for the two-bed facilities.

**Successes deserving recognition**

Beatrice Mercado said that we are all still here operating which is a success in itself.

Jaqui La Voie said she is still frustrated that she is not allowed to use a glucometer stick on patients.

Sharon Leffingwell asked if there is any documentation that shows that hirc homes are improperly using glucometer sticks.

Beatrice Mercado asked what can hirc homes do to help expedite a solution to this problem.

Julie D. Bell commented that the Bureau is looking at regulations to help this industry and will keep the advisory council updated on any new developments.

**Adjournment.**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:30 p.m.